5th Grade News October 13, 2023







Malikye

Iris

Last week Malikye Bristol and Iris Mickelson earned ties for their enormous effort in **run club**. These students put a lot of effort into running every time they went to run club, and it paid off. Both students came in first place (boys and girls division). Congratulations!





Avery

Olivia

This week Avery Ostrander and Olivia Hopkins earned ties. These girls earned ties for consistently showing great attitude and effort. I cannot think of one time in class this year where these girls have not had a great attitude and displayed the excellent effort that is

expected of our students every day.

Thank you for setting a great example daily in class and always having a desire to learn. Great Job!

Halloween Party:

Our Halloween party will be held on October 31 from 2:10-3:10. This includes time for students to go outside for recess and see everyone else's costumes. The fifth-grade staff will be buying all supplies/snacks needed for the party. Please send \$2.00 before October 30th to help cover the cost. Students will have time to change into their costume, please do not send your child to school in costume as the remainder of the day will be normal instruction.

Parent/Teacher Conferences:

A Sign-Up genius will be sent out Monday afternoon for conferences. They will be held on Wednesday, November 1 from 12:30-5:00 and on Thursday, November 2 from 4:00-6:30. You will need to sign up with both teachers, Alderink and Mitchell, as conferences are held separately. Also, please plan on bringing your child to the conference with you.



Math:

In math we have been working on multiplication and estimation quite a bit for the last couple of weeks. We are now beginning to work on division and will be for the next two weeks. Please continue to encourage your child to complete their homework which they receive every day but Friday. We go through the homework every single day to make sure students understand what they did right and wrong, and they have an opportunity to ask any questions they need to ask.



Language Arts:

This week students took their first Wonders test. This was broken into three parts and given on separate days to make it more manageable. Students also created structure maps to help them write their first essay, which they will be typing next week.

<u>Spelling:</u> Spelling words will be sent home at the beginning of each week. Students

are expected to write the words twice on the front side and fill in the word meaning side as well. The papers are due back to school on Thursday of each week. There was no spelling this week.

AR Reading Goals: AR Goals are set.

These goals are based on reading for 30 minutes each night at your child's reading level. Next Friday is the 100% checkpoint for AR. Please ask your child about his/her progress.



Science: This week students have been discovering what happens in an unbalanced ecosystem. They played a game this week where they worked together with their tablemates to bring ponds back to a balanced and healthy ecosystem before it was too late. Students have had science tests on Fridays, and this pattern will continue most weeks. Your child has the opportunity to fix and return each quiz for a better grade. Please ask your child if they have been doing this.



History:

In history we are continuing to study the "Age of Exploration". We are pretty much done studying the early explorers and will study slavery and the kingdoms of Africa next week. We then will begin reviewing for an upcoming test I am planning to give on October 25th.



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All American Hero sheets are going home with students today. All-American

Heroes displayed good behavior, have done an excellent job getting their work done on time, have earned good grades, and have been participating well in class over the past couple weeks of school. The All-American Heroes are the following:

Mitchell: Ana De la Rosa, Olivia Hopkins, Charlotte Crowder, Melanie King-Waite, Harper Suntken, Kiarra Rider, Kennedy Kyes, Summer Keep-Sparks, Sophia Jobson, Malachi Hughes, Emma Deeren

Alderink: Emily Barron, Amya Campbell, Colby Eubank, Rory Krick, Blake Lawe, Iris Mickelson, Tucker Newland, Zirena Niemiec, Rose Norman, Avery Ostrander, Rodney Sommerfield, Trinity Woodard



Dates to Remember:

Oct. 18: Picture retake day

Oct. 20: Half day (release at 11:30)

Oct 23: Fall Break (No School)

May 24: Greenfield Village and Henry

Ford Museum trip